THE FLORIDA SENATE 2016 SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION PASSED

Committee on Higher Education

HB 799 — Out-of-State Fee Waivers for Active Duty Servicemembers

by Reps. Avila, Sprowls, and others (SB 944 by Senators Richter and Gaetz)

The bill waives the out-of-state fee for active duty members of the United States Armed Forces who reside in or are stationed outside of Florida.

Additionally, similar to the Congressman C.W. "Bill" Young Veteran Tuition Waiver Program requirements, the bill requires:

- Tuition and fees charged to a student who qualifies for the out-of-state fee waiver for the specified active duty members of the United States Armed Forces must not exceed the tuition and fees charged to a resident student.
- Each state university, Florida College System institution, and technical center to report to the Board of Governors (BOG) and the State Board of Education (SBE), as applicable, the number and value of all fee waivers granted to the active duty members of the United States Armed Forces.
- The BOG and the SBE to adopt regulations and rules, respectively, to administer the outof-state fee waivers for active duty members of the United States Armed Forces.

If approved by the Governor, these provisions take effect July 1, 2016.

Vote: Senate 35-0; House 114-0

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